

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of the application are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks herewith. The present amendment is being made to facilitate prosecution of the application.

I. STATUS OF THE CLAIMS AND FORMAL MATTERS

Claims 9-15 are pending. Claims 9, 11 and 13 are independent and hereby amended.

II. RESPONSE TO OBJECTIONS TO SPECIFICATION

In the Specification, paragraphs [0002], [0003] and [0005] of Applicants' corresponding published application are hereby amended, thereby obviating the objections to Specification.

III. RESPONSE TO REJECTIONS UNDER 35 U.S.C. §112

Claims 9, 11 and 13 are hereby amended, thereby obviating the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112.

Support for this amendment is provided throughout the Specification as originally filed and specifically at paragraphs [0009]-[0010] of Applicants' corresponding published application. By way of example and not limitation:

[0009] If the host machine does not store the reproduction program data and execution program data, the memory device may store a program for automatically or manually installing the reproduction program data and execution program data in the host

machine. In this case, in response to that the terminal of the memory device is connected to the host machine, the install program can be executed to install the reproduction program and execution program. At a result, even an apparatus other than the host machine can reproduce image data and the like stored in the memory device by using the reproduction program and execution program.

[0010] According to an embodiment of the present invention, if the host machine stores beforehand at least the reproduction program data and execution program data and when the terminal is connected to the interface in the state that the storage element stores at least one of the image data and audio data, the host machine activates the execution program in response to the detection signal to read and reproduce at least one of the image data and audio data stored in the memory element.

Applicants respectfully submit that as described in the Specification, if the host machine does not store the reproduction program data and execution program data beforehand, the memory device may store a program for automatically or manually installing the reproduction program data and execution program data in the host machine, so that the reproduction program data and execution program data will be installed in the host machine, which does not contradict the previous limitation of “a storage element for storing data output from said host machine.”

As claims 9, 11 and 13 have been amended, Applicants respectfully request the rejection to claims 10, 12, 14 and 15, which depend on claims 9, 11 and 13, respectively, be withdrawn.

Therefore, Applicants respectfully submit that pending claims 9-15 are allowable.

CONCLUSION

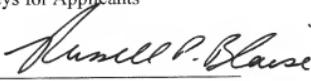
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Applicants respectfully submit that all of the claims are in condition for allowance and request early passage to issue of the present application.

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